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IN RE APPLICATION OF: GROUP: 1794

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FOR: FOODS CONTAINING LARGE AMOUNT OF FUNCTIONAL

COMPONENTS AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME

RESTRICTION RESPONSE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated January 30, 2009, Applicants elect Group I, Claims 1-8 and 16, for examination.

Applicants respectfully submit that the above-identified application is now in condition for examination on the merits, and early notice thereof is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,

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